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even the moderate fleets of war vessels which we possess. One million a year would be a small sum to pay for the training and maintenance of such a reserve.

Dangerous Amendment Voted Down

THE enactment of a child labor law likely to put certain industries of the State at an impossible disadvantage might readily prove to be an injury rather than a benefit to the Commonwealth.

It is unfortunately true that many families are dependent to some extent on the earnings of children, and it is true also that restricted educational opportunities in some instances render children better off when employed than when unemployed.

The Local Option Hearing

For the integrity of our judiciary, for the good of society, for the welfare of the Commonwealth, I ask you to act and to act promptly.

THIS concluding sentence from the Governor's appeal to the lawyers of the State to come to his assistance in securing the passage of a local option law epitomizes most, if not all, of the arguments in favor of the proposed statute.

The demonstration in Harrisburg yesterday was so impressive that the General Assembly cannot plead that the Commonwealth is uninterested in the matter, or that there is no popular demand for temperate liquor legislation.

Too Wise a Scheme to Be Adopted

WHY not show moving pictures of the different State institutions to all the legislators at Harrisburg instead of sending the Appropriations Committee of the House on junkets throughout the Commonwealth at great expense to the taxpayer?

A Big Task for Big or Little Submarines

SOME of the crew of the Northlands, sunk in the English Channel, believe that the ship was attacked by a new giant submarine, one of the large and powerful undersea boats of which much has been written since the beginning of the war.

The Expected Sometimes Happens

PERHAPS Gifford Pinchot thought that after being the guest of his brother-in-law, the British Minister at The Hague, the Germans would permit him to travel freely about that part of Belgium which they control, but few other persons familiar with wartime customs believed that he would enjoy this privilege.

Organize Naval Reserve by Paying It

THE proposal has been made that an efficient naval reserve can be organized by the simple device of the Government paying to merchant officers and sailors the difference between the foreign wage rate and the American rate, this bonus to be given only to those employed on American ships.

IDAHO'S CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT

Incidents of Senator Borah's Life Said to Reveal Lincoln-like Qualities—Idaho Resembles the Illinois of the Fifties.

By A. V. C. (By Special Arrangement with the Boston Evening Transcript.)

MOUNTBANKS there are in Congress who trace resemblances between themselves and Abraham Lincoln, but the man in that body today who—not in physique, but in mental and moral make-up—suggests Lincoln more than any other has never exploited the fact.

The Prophecy of Friends

The human quality that distinguished Lincoln from most of his professional and political competitors was a sense of judgment which compelled the admiration of men whose own effusive partisanship stood in the way of their discerning the rights and wrongs in everyday things.

Borah's First Law Case

His first case at the Idaho bar was not particularly profitable, and afforded him slight scope for the display of any talent but one for holding his tongue when silence would be wiser than speech.

A Cosmopolitan Frontiersman

When Borah made up his mind to run for Senator he was defeated in his first attempt because, though the people were with him, the Legislature was divided.

A Dramatic Piece of Evidence

This was the first instance in which the young lawyer spoke his mind in disregard of the custom of the vicinage. A second was when, in the face and teeth of popular sentiment, he took up a stale but just claim for damages against a railroad company and won it.

KING AND PEOPLE

English liberty today rests not so much on the Government as on those rights which the people have wrested from the Government.

BLIND BUT NOT INVISIBLE

If a man looks sharply and attentively he shall see fortune, for though she is blind she is not invisible—Lord Bacon.

FAMOUS SAYINGS OF NAVAL HEROES

THERE is a good deal of fiction in history—history as a record—but the higher criticism has failed to destroy some of the treasured tales which perpetuate famous sayings of American naval officers.



BEST THOUGHT IN AMERICA

DIGEST OF THE MAGAZINES

- (1) American Magazine—"Some Team." (2) Baseball Magazine—"Why I Signed With the Federal League." (3) Vogue—"America at Palm Beach." (4) Collier's—"Life and Sport."

PLAYING THE GAME

LOVE may hold poetical pre-eminence as a spring-time fancy for young men, but in reality it has to share its honors with baseball and the sports.

THOUGHT

I am not poor, but I am proud. Of one inalienable right. Above the envy of the crowd—Thought's holy light.

FIVE SOULS

First Soul—I was a peasant of the Polish plain; I left my plow because the message rang: Russia in danger, needed every man. To save her from the Teuton; and was slain. I gave my life for freedom—this I know: For those who bade me fight had told me so.

Second Soul—I was a Tyrolean, a mountaineer; I gladly left my mountain home to fight. Against the brutal, treacherous Muscovite; And died in Padua on a Cosack spear. I gave my life for freedom—this I know: For those who bade me fight had told me so.

Third Soul—I worked in Lyons at my weaver's loom. When suddenly the Prussian despot burst. His feroic blow at France and at the world. Then I went forth to Belgium and my doom. For those who bade me fight had told me so.

Fourth Soul—I owned a vineyard by the wooded Main. There came a sudden word of war declared. Of Belgium, peaceful, helpless, unprepared. Asking my aid: I joined the ranks, and died. I gave my life for freedom—this I know: For those who bade me fight had told me so.

Fifth Soul—I worked in a great shipyard by the Clyde. There came a sudden word of war declared. Of Belgium, peaceful, helpless, unprepared. Asking my aid: I joined the ranks, and died. I gave my life for freedom—this I know: For those who bade me fight had told me so.

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WOMAN'S spring-time diversions used to consist of receiving young men's fancies, and, even more generally, housecleaning.

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There are some holes in most golf courses where the straight and narrow way is the worst approach.

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